

Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Sara L Hensley

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: 10-20-04

Approved



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Council District: Citywide, 3
SNI Area: Five Wounds/
Brookwood Terrace
Gateway East

SUBJECT: GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE CALIFORNIA YOUTH SOCCER AND RECREATION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND THE STATE URBAN PARKS AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION

Adoption of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to:

- a) Submit grant applications to the State Department of Parks and Recreation for the following projects:
 - 1) Police Athletic League Sports Complex Repairs in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development program; and
 - 2) Martin Park Soccer and Softball Field project in amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities program and include a required match to the grant funding of up to \$334,000 by the City.
- b) Negotiate and execute all documents necessary to effectuate the funding of the grants.

BACKGROUND

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS) has identified two grant program sources of potential funding under Proposition 40 - The 2002 State Resources Bond, 1) the State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities program and 2) the Youth Soccer and Recreation Development program, that can support the proposed projects.

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The State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities program provides competitive grants for the acquisition and development of properties for active recreational purposes. Over \$9 million is available for allocation in northern California for activities that require athletic fields, courts, gymnasiums, or other recreational facilities and venues for youth soccer, baseball, football, basketball, tennis or swimming or any recreational activity that requires physical exertion. This program has a match requirement equal to one-third of the grant amount or one-fourth of the total project.

The Youth Soccer and Recreation Development program is a competitive grant program that provides financial assistance to local agencies and Community-Based Organizations (CBO) to foster the development of new youth soccer, baseball, softball and basketball recreation opportunities in the state. Over \$23 million is available throughout the State for allocation for the acquisition or development of property for the aforementioned purposes. This program does not have a match requirement, however, applicants that provide a commitment for matching contributions will be more competitive in this program.

One of the requirements for the submission of applications to these grant programs is the submission of a resolution from the applicant's governing body approving the application for the grant funds.

ANALYSIS

The City's General Plan calls for neighborhood/community park space at 3.5 acres per 1,000 population, located within a reasonable walking distance. The Greenprint for Parks and Community Facilities and Programs (Greenprint) embraced the standard from the City's General Plan. The Greenprint requires that recreational services are provided primarily through a network of City-owned community facilities, including gymnasiums. The City strives to provide a neighborhood-driven, comprehensive recreation program in conjunction with a wide array of human and social services that are accessible, affordable, and meet the needs of all residents.

Community center goals include:

- Improve health and wellness;
- Promote youth development;
- Support the well-being of seniors and persons with disabilities;
- Promote stewardship and volunteerism;
- Build and improve community livability; and
- Promote neighborhood development.

Both grant programs are directed toward youth, defined by the State as persons 25 years of age and younger. To be eligible, projects will need to serve areas of disadvantaged population. Grant award amounts for both programs are between \$75,000 and \$1,000,000. The projects listed below were selected for submission of applications to the grant programs based on the following criteria:

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- Project serves an area of disadvantaged youth;
- Grants are for football, basketball, soccer, tennis, swimming or any other recreation that requires physical exertion by youth;
- Project has been identified in the Strong Neighborhood Initiative (SNI) plans;
- Land associated with the projects are under City control; and
- Project is either exempt or has potential for obtaining environmental clearance within the guidelines of the grant.

Police Athletic League Sports Complex Repairs

The Police Athletic League (PAL) Sports Complex, located off of King Road, provides activities that involve physical fitness and socialization in a team setting. Services include baseball, softball, soccer and football leagues, camps and clinics. Built in the 1960s, the complex is now in need of various repairs, including but not limited to, renovation of two restrooms, replacement of bleachers, and various field repairs including installation of artificial turf. No funds have been identified to address these needed improvements. An application for this project will be submitted to the California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Grant program for a \$1 million grant to improve the PAL's facilities. This project is listed as priority #5 in the Gateway East SNI Plan.

Martin Park Soccer and Softball Field Project

The proposed Martin Park Soccer and Ball Field project would take the existing landfill site and turn it into a combination soccer/softball diamond to serve the Five Wounds/Brookwood Terrace area. This project will be submitted to the State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities program for \$1 million. KB Homes is in the process of developing 105 single-family residential units adjacent to this site. KB Homes' Parkland Dedication Ordinance fees will be used as the match source for the grant application. Youth programs and activities are listed as priority #10 in the Five Wounds/Brookwood Terrace SNI Plan.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

No public outreach has occurred regarding the proposed actions. However, the City and its partners in the community are committed to the proposed projects as evidenced by community input obtained for the Greenprint, master plans, and SNI plans.

COORDINATION

This memorandum was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement.

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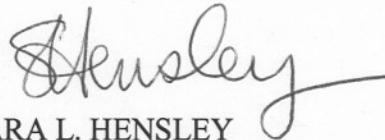
COST IMPLICATIONS

These grants will augment City funding for the development and/or rehabilitation of the facilities mentioned above. The estimated operational and maintenance costs for the Martin Park Soccer and Softball Field project is approximately \$87,450 per year. The Police Athletic League Sports Complex and Field Repairs project has existing facility-maintenance funding budgeted.

Parkland Dedication Ordinance fees will be used as matching funds for the Martin Park Soccer and Softball Field project applied for under the State Urban Parks and Healthy Communities program.

CEQA

Not a project.



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